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SUBJECT: SALE OF RACKING TO GOQ BY U.K. SUBSIDIARY OF INTERLAKE,

INC. OF OAKBROOK, ILLINOIS

TO: MR. GRANT JOHNSON INTERLAKE INC. COMMERCE PLAZA 2015 SPRING ROAD OAKBROOK, ILLINOIS 60521

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTTER SENT MAY 24, 1978:

DEAR MR. JOHNSON:

THIS IS TO CONFIRM THE SUBSTANCE OF OUR TELEPHONE CONVERSATION THE EVENING OF MAY 23, 1978, DURING WHICH WE DISCUSSED THE SALE OF RACKING FROM ONE OF INTERLAKE'S BRITISH SUBSIDIARIES TO THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE OF THE STATE OF QATAR.

I HAVE DISCUSSED THIS SALE WITH MY COUNTERPART IN THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

9. IN QATAR, MR. DOUGLAS HARDINGE. MR. HARDINGE TOLD ME IN OUR DISCUSSION THAT HE HAS PERSONAL UNCLASSIFIED

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KNOWLEDGE THAT THE BPORING PROCEDURES IN WHICH YOUR SUBSIDIARY, COMINO-DEXION INTERNATIONAL, DEXION, LTD., PARTICIPATED FOLLOWED THE STANDARD PRACTICES OF THE TENDERS BOARD UNDER LAW NUMBER 8 OF 1976 FOR THE STATE OF QATAR CONCERNING BIDDING AND TENDERS AND THAT DEXION, LTD., HAD BEEN AWARDED THE CONTRACT TO SUPPLY RACKING TO THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE ON THE BASIS OF HAVING SUBMITTED THE LOWEST BID UNDER THESE PROCEDURES.

I HAVE FULL FAITH IN MR. HARDINGE AND FROM PAST EXPERIENCE CAN ASSERT THAT HIS HONESTY AND INTEGRITY ARE BEYOND QUESTION. I THEREFORE CONCLUDE THAT HIS ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPRIETY OF THE BIDDING PROCEDURE AND THE AWARDING OF THE CONTRACT TO DEXION HAVE BEEN INVESTIGATED TO THE FULLEST EXTENT POSSIBLE AND THAT NO INDICATION OF DISHONESTY OR COLUSION BETWEEN THE PARTIES WAS FOUND.

IF YOU REQUIRE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT ME. SINCERELY YOURS, THOMAS K. WUKITSCH, COMMERCIAL OFFICER. AMERICAN EMBASSY, DOHA, QATAR. KILLGORE

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